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Applicant: : H. Kenneth Staffin
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Filed: : September 18, 2000 Group Art Unit: 1764
For: : FLUIDIZED BED GAS DISTRIBUTOR SYSTEM FOR ELEVATED
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EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action of October 16, 2002 for the above-identified application.

A grant of this request would reset the response due date from January 16, 2003 to March 16, 2003.

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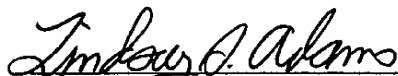
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